# City's Social Life

#### THE GAYETIES AND ACTIVITIES OF THE WEEK

Bal Pondre.

Dear Lady, through the dance's maze And in the throng of powdered faces That would assume the pictured ways Of bygone times and olden places, Thy laughing eyes alone, upcast, Reanimate the sluggish fancy. Until the present seems the past,

Changed by some subtle necromancy. Again I see the ribboned crooks, The Trianen's capricious folly,

The Watteau shepherd's pleading looks, (And understand his melancholy!) The king who played the churlish boor, The queen who aped the village poses, The swains who give their gages d'amour

in unfrequented garden closes. But though I catch the light refrain Of mocking laugh, of witty sallies, Of twinkling feet that tread again

In masquerade, Arcadian valleys, Pair Conjurer, 'tisanot enough For me to see the Past's procession; I own I want, without rebuff.

The Future, too, in my possession! -Margaret Ridgely Schott, in the Century.

A Queer Scrapbook.

Woman's Home Companion. At a recent loan exhibition of curios was | iting Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Victor, has reshown something odd in the way of scrapbooks. It was begun some twenty-five years ago, and contains samples of dresses | Club at cards on Wednesday afternoon. worn by its originator during that quarter of a century.

Alongside these for the past fourteen years have been pasted pieces of the the book is now intended. By the time this daughter is a woman grown she will ford, O. possess the record of fabrics of two generations, and even more, for the first entries in the book are scraps of the grandmother's wedding outfit. Among the last named are soft all-wool goods spun and weven at home, with here and there a silk; thread intermingled, from home-raised returned home, having spent the past week

The personal entries for the daughter ruff Place. begin with the dainty lawns, laces, embroideries and cashmeres of her baby days, along with a tiny pink silk first sock and a photograph of a bald-headed infant. Then follow the dimitles and fine ginghams of the first short clothes and the ribbonhoods. Accompanying one scrap of em- | Edna Myers. broidery and lawn was a line saying it was are samples of the dresses and wraps worn | Elizabeth Ritchie. by the mother at this time.

#### Club Meetings This Week.

Women's Research Club-With Mrs. Albert Kimberlin; responses from George W. "Proletariats of the South," Mrs. Ella R. Stevenson; "Cracker Joe," Mrs. M. F. Ault: "Southern Melodies," Mrs. Minnie K. Bennett; conversation, "Southern Provincialisms," Mrs. E. L. Olcott. Indianapolis Literary Club-Ladies' night "The New Movement in Art," T. C. Steele. Rosemary Club-Paper by a guest of the

French Club-With Mrs. John L. Griffiths. | Presbyterian Church. Monday Conversation Club-With Mrs. M. V. McGilliard, 1620 North Delaware

-Tuesday.-Fortnightly Literary Club-Paper, Mrs.

J. Cumming Smith Local Council of Women-"Heredity and Environment," Mr. Alexander Johnson; 3 o'clock, council business; report from Boys' Club; report from Queen Esther

Child," Miss Josephine Bauer, of Washing- row morning at 9:30 o'clock. ton School, No. 55 Century Club-"The Place of Wordsworth | Postal Clerks will meet with Mrs. Arthur in Poetry," Allen Wood.

Proctor Reading Circle-With Mrs. Kate | row afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. "The Church of the Nativity," Mrs. E. W. Fenger: hymn on the Nativity, Mrs. Margaret Pcele. -Wednesday.-

Ladies' Literary Union-With Mrs. Leone Reading Wholesome Literature," Mrs. Car- have returned to their home in Chicago. rie Eastburn. Matinee Musicale-Philharmonic String

-Thursday.-Portfolio Club-Programme in charge of Mr. Nixon. Entertainment committee, Mr. and Mrs. Vonnegut. -Friday.-

Friday Afternoon Reading Club-With Caylor; select reading, Mrs. M. Agnes | Hoagland, of Greencastle, were among the Sherfey; entertaining anecdote, Mrs. Ar- guests. minda Moore; miscellaneous quotations. Progress Club, of Tuxedo-With Mrs. J.

B. Montique. "Mothers' Influence." Mrs. Montique; "What Will We Do with Our Daughters?" Mrs. Mattox. Clio Club-With Mrs. J. J. Brown. Open day; roll call; proverbs, "Women of the

Bible," Mrs. Brown and Mrs. M. C. Kendall Over-the-Teacups Club-With Miss Alice Finch. "The Early Dutch." Mrs. W. D. Pratt; "Outdoors and Indoors in Holland," Mrs. J. O. Henderson.

Women's Mission Circle-With Mrs. J. B. Central avenue. "Work Among the French- | Japanese. Canadians," Mrs. T. J. Villers; New Year's bulletin, Miss M. McC. Day. -Saturday .-

Sketching Club - Gothic architecture: "Towers and Spires," Miss Louise Wright: talk and illustrations, Miss Edith Neubacker; art news, Miss Margaret Steele. Magazine Club-With Mrs. P. M. Dill. "The Literature," Mrs. A. J. Clark; "Examples," Mrs. O. L. Huey. Kappa Alpha Theta Club-With Miss Nina Bond. "Woman Ungloved," Mattie A. Sparks. Conversation led by Sarah E.

Catherine Merrill Club-"The Evolution of Dress," by Mrs. Alfred F. Potts: "Old Things," Mrs. John L. Griffiths; conversation, Miss Catherine Dunn leader.

### Personal and Society Notes.

Miss Mary Pratt will leave for Vassar Miss Ethel Dorsey gave a dance on New Year's night. Gray Duncan will return to Purdue Uni-

versity to-day. Mrs. D. J. Jones will entertain her card club on Tuesday. Mrs. Theresa H. Smith is visiting rela-

tives in Noblesville. Miss Clara Sanborn will return to Patten College next Tuesday. Miss Mayme Wood, of Kokomo, is the

guest of Mrs. Fred E. Hamlin. Mrs. Robert Geddes will go this week to visit her mother in Terre Haute. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Griffith will return to Garland City, Ark., on Wednesday. Rev. Harry Mount and Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Butler, who were guests of Mr.

### SURRENDERED

To Hot Biscuits and Warm Pie.

Bombarding a stomach with hot biscuits and warm pie, plenty of butter, bacon, greasy potatoes and a few other choice delicacles will finally cause the fortifications to give way. Then how to build back on good food is worth knowing.

A man in Factoryville, Pa., attacked his stomach in about this way and says: "The sign of surrender was plain in my white, colorless face. At that time every article of food distressed me, and heartburn kept me in continued misery. I liked all sorts of breakfast foods, but they did not agree with me. Of course much of the food that I ate contained nourishment, but my stomach could not get the nourishment out. I tried pepsin and other aids to digestion, which worked for a time and then gave out. Finally I reasoned when in an extremity that if the stomach could not digest the food why not take some food that was alrendy digested like Grape-Nuts. So started in on Grape-Nuts, and the new food

won my palate straightaway and agreed with me beautifully. The heavy, oppressive feeling disappeared and I became thoroughly impressed with the new food and began to improve at one Little by little my strength came back and slowly and surely I gained my lost weight. The wasted tissues and muscles built up, and to-day I am well, buoyant and strong. I unreservedly give the chief credit to Grape-Nuts, which met me in a crisis and brought me over the dark period of despondency. Nothing else did it, for noth-

ing else could be endured. Please withhold my name." Name can be given upon application to the Postum

Co., Battle Creck, Mich.

and Mrs. Joseph A. Minturn, have returned

Mr. and Mrs. William Holt gave a watch party on Tuesday evening, entertaining at Mrs. Ernest H. Tripp, of the Hotel Eng-

home. The Tabernacle Sunday school has given to the Girls' Industrial School a free-will offering of \$70.

lish, will observe Mondays as her day at

Miss Edythe Fulmer went to Dayton yesterday to spend a few days with her cousin, Mrs. F. B. Fulmer.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dorif Haring, of the Meridian, left, yesterday, for an extended trip through California. Mrs. Philemon Mitchell Watson is to be

the honor guest at a tea on Tuesday, given by Miss Hasselman. The Women's Missionary Society of the Mayflower Church will meet, next Friday, at 3 o'clock, in the church parlors.

Miss Gertrude Eichholtz, who spent the holidays with relatives here, has returned to her home in North Manchester. Miss Jessie Grenamier, who has been vis-

turned to her home in Van Wert, O. Mrs. Harry Metzger, of 1945 North Pennsylvania street, will entertain the Chapel The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of Roberts Park Church will meet with Mrs. F. H. Holt on Friday afternoon,

Jan. 10. Mrs. Allan A. Wilkinson has issued inviclothes worn by a daughter, for whom tations for a tea on Jan. 14, in honor of Miss Greer and Miss Ada Greer, of Ox-

Mrs. John H. Holliday and Miss Lucia Holliday have issued invitations for a tea on Friday in honer of their guest, Miss Miss Letha Kennedy, of Terre Haute, has

with Miss Margaret L. Wilty, of Wood-Louis Barbour, Bert Cockrum, Richard Tolin, John Frenzel, jr., and William N. Harding, jr., will return to Cornell on

Wednesday. Miss Edith Scott attended the annual bound flannel sacks in colors, along with New Year's dance given by the Anderson the velveteens and plushes of cloaks and | Club. Miss Scott was the guest of Miss |

Miss Sadie M. Clarke and a number of the last long dress worn before donning friends were entertained yesterday with a the shorter outfit. Opposite all these pages | luncheon and matinee party given by Miss Mr. and Mrs. Karl Schneider will enter-

> morrow evening, at their home, 919 North Capitol avenue. Mrs. Charles Lavery will entertain the Social Club of Holy Cross Church at her home, 1419 East Washington street, next Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Frank Martin entertained the Friday Afternoon Club at cards, on Friday, at the University Club. After the game a luncheon was served.

Mrs. Rhea Hall Behymer has resigned as solo contralto of the First Baptist Church o accept a similar position with the First Miss Grace Cavanaugh has issued invita-

tions for dinner at the Columbia Club on Friday, Jan. 10, in honor of her guest, Miss | Izor. Taube, of New Orleans. Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Holsey will enter-

his company, this afternoon, at their Brown, of Columbus, Ky. The wedding apartments in the Arlington. Musicale urges all members of the chorus Principals' Club-Dr. Chamberlain's "The | to be present at the final rehearsal to-mor-

> Edmunds, 3236 North Illinois street, to-mor-Mrs. Lucius M. Wainwright gave a birthday dinner yesterday in honor of her husband, entertaining Major W. A. Wain-

wright and wife, of Noblesville. Mr. and Mrs. William W. Miller and son. Scudder, 1414 East New York street. New William W. Miller, jr., who have been the Year resolutions by the society; "Value of | guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Thornton, There will be an important meeting of the Day Nursery Association to-morrow afternoon, at the home of Mrs. Louis Smith, at 1715 North Pennsylvania street.

Miss Irene Berryhill and Miss Louise Tutewiler have returned from Rockport, Ind., where they attended a house party given by Miss Nelle Walker, of De Pauw. Miss Mabel Rose gave a party on New Mrs. Helen Ensley. Music; paper on "Gen- Year's eve for Miss Corinne Mansfield. eral Grant and His Aids," Mrs. Melissa | Miss Grace Hoagland and Mr. Charles

> Mrs. C. E. Gallaway and Mrs. J. S. Barnhill will entertain the Review Circle at the residence of Mrs. Barnhill, 412 North Dela- Mrs. M. H. Davis. ware street, on Thursday afternoon, at 2

Mrs. T. M. Horn entertained her euchre club on Tuesday afternoon. Prizes were Hyde, Mrs. Byron Canfield and Mrs. A. P. Herron.

The Kappa Kappa Gamma Alumnae llub met yesterday afternoon with Mrs. C. W. Green. The discussion, which was McCoy and Mrs. T. F. Harrington, No. 1113 | led by Mrs. R. F. Kautz, related to the

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Browning entertained their euchre club on Thursday evening, prizes being won by Mr. C. Hummel, Mrs. O. Winter, Mr. William Holt and Mrs. W. E. Browning.

Miss Leo Hazel Everett, assisted by Miss Florence Inez Guirl, Miss Zelda Hobart Read and Miss Laura Jones, received in-

formally on New Year's day at the home of Miss Everett. At the luncheon given by Anton Vonnegut

the guest of honor. evening the High School Dramatic Club. fred Brinker, Harry C. Everett, Harry Swankhouse, William Connor and Thomas

women, gave their annual party at the Ger- | and be her guest for several weeks. man House on Friday evening. Decorations



WOMEN WHO ARE PROMINENT IN WASHINGTON SOCIETY.

Above are portraits of some of the women who are prominent in the social gayeties of the national capital. Mrs. Theodore Bingham, wife of the superintendent of public buildings, entertains extensively in her splendid new home. Mrs. William R. Merriam, wife of the director of census, also entertains lavishly. Mrs. Julius C. Burrows, wife of Senator Burrows, of Michigan, is a leading Washington hostess. Mrs. Thomas S. Martin, wife of the senator from Virginia, is famous for her jolly theater and supper parties.

tain the Tabernacle Choral Society to-Charles Off.

arrive Tuesday to visit Mrs. Frederick B. Brown, of North Delaware street. The Macanerchor Society will observe the first Sunday afternoon of the new year

to-day at 3 o'clock. The society has arranged an evening card party for Monday, Jan. 20, at which the gentlemen are to be guests of the club. The Good Time Euchre Club was entertained on Thursday evening by Dr. and Mrs. O. B. Pettijohn, prizes being won by

Mrs. George Herpick, Mrs. H. H. Schwankhaus, Mr. O. L. Webb, Mrs. E. G. Alex- of the evening was a drill in the German ander, Mr. George Herpick and Mr. B. H. Cards have been received announcing the marriage of Mr. Charles Albion Tripp, tain Mr. Howard Kyle and the members of of this city, and Miss Nancy Wilson

took place at the home of the bride's par- of the first battalion staff; Lieut. Comly, The executive committee of the Matinee ents on Jan. 1. Mr. and Mrs. Tripp will be at home in Woodruff Place after Feb. 1. Mrs. R. F. Tevis, Mrs. Wingate, Mrs. Greenwell and Mrs. Asbury Brown will have charge of the reception and musicale The Women's Auxiliary of the Railway to be given by the ladies of Broadway M. E. Church at the regular monthly meeting to-morrow afternoon in the church par-

> Miss Clarissa Katherine Koons, of Muncie, has been engaged as soprano singer for Meridian-street Church, and will sing the offertory solo this morning. Miss Parkes, of Martinsville, who was to have taken the position, will go to New York to study. Miss Koons sang in this church several

> Invitations have been issued for the marriage of Miss Helen Lucille Moore, youngest daughter of Mrs. A. C. Moore, and Mr. H. Custer Ryker. The wedding will take place on Jan. 15 at the family residence, on North East street. Only relatives will witness the ceremony, which will be followed

A number of the friends of Mrs. S. Ter- | playing cards there was a guessing contest, rell, living on Roach street, gave her a in which Mrs. Herman C. Pfafflin won a surprise dinner on Friday. The company in- | prize. Misses Koehne, of Florida, with cluded Mrs. Guion, Mrs. Frank Pierce, Mrs. | Mrs. Boos, and Miss Egner, of Cincinnati, Ann Montgomery, Mrs. Hohn, Miss Ella | with Miss Alice Mueller, were of the com-Montgomery, Mrs. George Hohn, Mrs. W. pany. .. Mount, Mrs. S. L. Montgomery and

The Women's Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church will meet on Friday, Jan. 10, at 2:30 o'clock, at 1122 Central ave- How the American Residents at Manue, with Mrs. J. B. McCoy and Mrs. Harwon by Mrs. Frank Clemens, Mrs. N. J. rington. Mrs. T. J. Villers will read a paper on "Work Among the French Canadians," and Miss Margaret Day, "A New Year's Bulletin."

The Columbia Club will give its second dinner and dance on next Friday night. The invitations were to have been out yesterday, but owing to delay of the printer will not be sent out until to-morrow. The McMaster, Albert Lieber, Henry Kahn, Julius A. Lemcke, Alonzo P. Hendrickson, Edward A. Hendrickson, C. A. Kenyon, Harold B. Hibben; Clark E. Mallory, George C. Hitt, Henry T. Hearsey, Harry S. New, John L. Griffiths, James R. Henry and James W. Noel.

A notable wedding, to occur in Cleveland, O., on the evening of Wednesday next, few of us Americans about. We were yesterday the guests were Cornell men, will be that of Miss Fay Irvine McCrea eleven in number. Mr. Owen Mothershead's and Mr. Joseph Gilchrist. Miss McCrea visitor, Mr. Thomas Sedley, of Chicago, was has been in Indianapolis several times as Miss Murial Hitt's guest and has many Harry B. Whitney entertained on Tuesday | friends here. Miss Hitt has gone to Cleveland to be first bridesmaid at Miss Mcconsisting of the following members: Wini- | Crea's wedding. Another bridesmaid will be Miss Gilchrist, who visited Miss Mary Savles during the holidays. Miss May Douglas, of Knoxville, Tenn., will return The Central Bowling Club, a society of from Cleveland on Friday with Miss Hitt

Mrs. R. V. Hunter and Miss Grace Hun- kept horses and carriages-those little af- work. Its victims, moreover, incur the risk were of holly. The members winning prizes | ter will go to Buffalo, N. Y., next week. | fairs of the natives-and had experienced | of contracting that form of moral dyswere Mrs. Piel, Mrs. Theodore Hatfield, In their honor a reception was given by drivers for the small ponies. Finally, by pepsia called pessimism. It tends to reb Mrs. Sigmund Armtsrong, Mrs. Charles | the missionary society of the Seventh Pres- using one man's horses, another man's the working day of its reward.

Off and Messrs. Rapp, Kcelling, Frank byterian Church yesterday afternoon in the carriage and another man's harness we Brandt, F. Kotteman, Charles Field and church parlors. Mrs. Hunter and Miss Har-succeeded in getting together a pretty Mrs. John L. Sulger, of Terre Haute, will | Gaylord, Mrs. Marsh, Mrs. Chaffee, Mrs. | The next question was where to get a greetings.

The first annual reception and dance given by Company C, Second Infantry, Indiana National Guard, occurred on Friday evening at Brenneke's Academy. A feature manual of arms given by Sergeant Hans Fick, late of the German army. Among the guests of the company were Major W. H. Kershner, Captain Carroll, Company B; Lieut. W. A. Kreber, of the general staff; Lieuts. R. L. Moorhead and Frank Bridges, of the artillery battalion staff; Capt. C. A. Garrard and Lieuts. Kramer and Tracy, of Company A; Lieut. Ashby, of Company D; Lieuts. Albert Smith and Brandt Downey, of Company H; Captain Jones, assistant surgeon of the Second Infantry, and offi-

cers of companies outside the city. The Ladies' Society of the German House gave its January party yesterday afternoon. The table was decorated with smilax and asparagus vine, having for a centerpiece a vase of American Beauty roses. The hostesses were Mrs. William Springhorn, Mrs. Edward Bertermann, Mrs. 7 A. Wagner, Mrs. Robert Case, Mrs. Frederick Zwicker, Mrs. G. A. Schnull, Mrs. Craft, Mrs. John Kettenbach, Mrs. John Lipman, Miss Alma Craft and Mrs. Leo Lando, Prizes were won in the order named by Miss Agnes Birk, Mrs. Ralph Smith, Mrs. D. F. Fleener, Mrs. Frank Bosler, Mrs. C. G. Weiss, Mrs. Rudoiph Schwartz, Mrs. William Zumpfe, Mrs. Katherine Klein, Mrs. Henry Smith, Mrs. Agnes Ludorff and Miss Salzenstein, a guest with Mrs. Solomon. For those not

## A "SWELL" COACHMAN.

nila Received Dewey.

Washington Post. "I want to tell you a funny story about our reception to Admiral Dewey over in Manila when he came into the city to do some shopping after the battle of Manila bay," said Mr. Russell Colegrove, of Mapatronesses for the dance are Mesdames nila, Philippine islands. Mr. Colegrove, of a puddler from a neighboring mill, Frank W. Morrison, John S. Lazarus, J. L. who is traffic manager of the Philippine picked our heroine up, that he begged her Transportation and Construction Company, was one of the first Americans who arrived in the Philippines after the United States took possession, entering Manila while the last Spanish ship destroyed by Admiral

Dewey was still burning. "Those first few weeks in Manila," continued Mr. Colegrove, "there were only a congenial and wanted to be together, so organized a club and rented a house for headquarters. When Admiral Dewey got ready to come to town we were stirred receive him in a proper and fitting manner and show that we were still Americans, in spite of being 8,000 miles from

riet Wishard received, assisted by Mrs. | swell-looking conveyance-for the Orient. Cleary, Mrs. Roth, Mrs. Griffith, Mrs. Mac- | suitable costume for the driver. It was Pherson, Mrs. Harness, Miss Aker, Miss | not difficult to find some one who could Bryan and Miss Smith. Besides instru- handle the reins, but we wanted him mental music there were speeches by Mrs. | dressed in metropolitan style. From some-F. T. McCrea, Mrs. A. B. Mitchell, Mrs. J. where we dug up a silk hat and one man Edward Brown, Mrs. Gaylord and Miss had a rather heavy long opera coat with Bertha Hixon. Mrs. D. B. Wells, of Chi- a long cape. This was just the thing and cago, and Mrs. Kendall, of Laporte, sent when that Filipino was finally rigged out he looked great. The driving of the admiral went off all right until it came time to bring him around to the club. Some of us were sitting upstairs in a window, when one fellow cried out: 'Look at that driver coming!' There came the admiral's carriage. On the seat was the black driver and he literally didn't have on anything but that silk hat. It was an awfully hot day and he had simply removed the coat and his clothes. It was the funniest spectacle I ever witnessed.

#### Letter Writing and Style.

The decay of letter writing has been the sad burden of many a recent essayist. It is admitted regretfully that letter writing. as an art, no longer possesses its old reason for existence; that the telegraph and the newspaper have made men largely independent of their friends in the acquisition of news and general information which was formerly communicated by the creaking quill of the epistolean. Also it is noted that the age of letter writing was an age of style. The writer who had acquired the habit of sending his personality to his friends by post was prepared to face the more formidable printing press without stage fright. He was simply writing letters to a larger audience. And we may add that the more charming novelists and essayists of recent years have usually been as delightful in their correspondence as in their books. There is in this fact an easy suggestion that the epistolary method produces the most pleasing style. Many actors have a way of picking out a sympathetic face in their audience and playing to him. Would it not, as some one has suggested. be a good plan for writers to imitate the actor in this respect and write their books with a particular sympathetic reader in mind?

### That Very Civil Engineer.

He hurried along

(To see the point you must understand That he was a young C. E.) A very stout lady crossed the street. (Poor girl, she didn't C. E.)

In the poem as finished it will be indicated in the next two-lines that the lady knocked the young man down, that the transit broke, that our hero, with the help for the puddler. Ine present work is in the nature of an artist's study. The finished effort will end somewhat in the following

-New York Evening Sun.

### The Three-Meal Habit.

Our three-meal habit is a fearful tax on with feelings of patriotism, and wanted to our working capacity; it trebles the temptation to overeating; our champions stagger under the weight of a physiological handicap; one-half the functional energy of the system is diverted by the exigencies "The most important question to solve of digestion. No other hygienic mistake has was where to get a suitable turnout with | done so much to make us a generation of which to drive him about. Some of us dyspeptics as the custom of after-dinner

(For he was a young C. E.)

ardon profusely and that he set them up

F. L. Oswald, M. D., in Success.

The Great Record World.

# He carried a transit in his hand,

Amid the throng

(To clinch the point, we will now repeat That he was a very C. E.)

hand was sought in marriage by the Duke of Savoy, one of the most powerful and honorable nobles in Europe, but at seventeen Lucretia Cornaro, the Portia of "The she married the Marquis of Pescara, to whom she had been betrothed when only four years old. Her husband was one of the most active and brilliant generals of Charles V, Emperor of Spain and Germany, but his promising career terminated by death from wounds received in battle before he was twenty-eight years old. His widow, still a mere giri, went to W. E. Curtis's Venice Letter in Chicago Rome, where she became famous as a scholar, poet and author. She took an ac-Shakspeare got the materials for his plays tive part in politics, was a patron of the of Italian life, including "The Merchant of arts and sciences, was the adviser of popes, Venice," from an old volume of tales written by a monk in the fifteenth century or who repeatedly offered her marriage. Sevthereabouts. For a long time it was a eral of his sonnets are addressed to her, mystery, but the discovery some years and some of his best pictures are dediago of a copy of this neglected and for she built for Catherine of Sienna, which gotten author disclosed a striking similarity is now shown to tourists in Rome. Vitto four or five of Shakspeare's plots. All toria Colonna published several volumes the tales are more or less founded upon ing in 1538. historical facts, like that of Hamlet. / LEARNED AND ELOQUENT. Romeo and Juliet, for example, actually Another very learned woman of that age lived and died in the manner described be- was Veronica Gambara, of Brescia, who cause a feud between their families would was renowned as a linguist and poet and not permit them to marry. "The Comedy wrote in Latin, Greek and the Oriental lanof Errors" is based upon incidents of actual guages. She was much admired by Charles occurrence, while Shylock was a notorious V, who frequently visited her villas in Bomoney lender whose house in Venice is logna and Modena. When a widow she edu-

Sienna, and is preserved as a museum for her relics and those of other saints. Izotta de Montefeltro, who lived about the

same time, was famous as a linguist, poet and philosopher, and four generations of women of the Batistua family were equally

famous The most famous woman of the sixteenth century was Vittoria Colonna,

daughter of the grand constable of Naples, who was born in 1490 and died in 1547. Her

NOTED WOMEN OF ITALY

SOME WERE THE ORIGINALS OF

SHAKESPEARE'S HEROINES.

Merchant of Venice," Lived in

Venice, and Juliet Was Real.

been built as early as the year 520.

in 1558. The Ponte di Rialto, as they call

it in Italian, is a marble arch of seventy-

four feet, with a radius of thirty-two feet,

resting upon 12,000 piles. It is the main

highway across the Grand Canal, and near-

"In the Rialto you have rated me," he

THE GHETTO OF VENICE.

by, where a colony of exiles from Spain

have been living ever since their expulsion

from that country by the Inquisition. The

streets are the narrowest, the buildings are

the highest, and the tenements are the

most crowded of all Venice, and at one

pelled to live within certain limits and wear

scendant of the contemporaries of Shylock

now own and occupy some of the richest

flesh is found in the book of tales I have

referred to, and Portia is a pen portrait of

Lucretia Cornaro, the first woman lawyer

in the world, the Myra Bradwell of the fif-

teenth century, who received a degree of

doctor of laws from the University of

Padua, where she was educated and after-

ward lectured on law. Her biography has

been published. Her family was famous

ied at the Church of San Salvator. She was

a native of Venice and a relative of Katrina

Cornaro, the Venetian belle who married

King James of Cyprus somewhere about

1470, and when, by his death, in 1489, she in-

herited the throne she annexed her kingdom

Lucretia Cornaro was one of the most

learned of women, and her biography gives

instead of going to court. It was natural,

therefore, that she should be mixed up in

Her father, Luigi Cornaro, born in 1457,

was a queer old chap and the author of the

starvation theory of prolonging life. He ar-

gued that the less one ate the longer one

to the age of forty, when he lost his prop-

erty and was compelled to economize. At

of food and fourteen ounces of wine a day.

and gradually tapered off until when he

and lunch entirely, and for dinner ate only

one egg and drank six ounces of wine. He

THE CORNARO THEORY.

of cheerfulness, sobriety and good sense.

very last. He wrote a book called "The

the minds of the students.

Giovanni Andrea, the father, was the

most learned authority on legal questions

in all Italy in the fourteenth century, and

wrote several treatises, in which he was

assisted by his daughter. Her work was so mixed up with his that it could not be

distinguished, and he enjoyed the benefit

of both, because their joint writings were published in his name. The only printed

volume which bears her name is "On the

Responsibility of Matrimony," the subject

being treated from legal, moral and philosophical standpoints. She seemed to know

all about it, although she was never mar-

ried, but had the good sense not to, write

Dr. Andrea was a dwarf and extremely

sensitive about his stature. Pope Boniface

VIII sent for him to come to Rome and re-

ceived him with great honor in the pres-

ence of the college of cardinals, and he

was so short that the Pope supposed he

was kneeling and asked him three times to

rise before he discovered the mistake. The

cardinals were so amused that they

laughed out in meeting, and Andrea was

so mortified that he immediately left the

Vatican and never returned again. He died

in 1348, after having lectured on law for

forty-six years. His tomb may be seen in

the Church of the Dominicans at Bologna.

AN INTELLECTUAL WOMAN

sidered a greatest woman of the four-

teenth century. She conducted theological

discussions with Popes, cardinals and bish-

ops; she corresponded with profound phil-

on the proper training of children.

of wine a day reached the ages of ninety- lic schools is defective.

His biographer says that he had "a spirit

of the lungs in his one hundredth year.

to the Venetian republic.

the Shylock case.

The ghetto, or old Jewish quarter, is near

quoted on 'change.

Record-Herald.

still pointed out to tourists. It stands in cated her four sons, who became famous the old market place near the Rialto, where and influential men. there is a tribune from which was pro- Isotta Nogarala, of Verona, who lived claimed the edicts and the announcements about this period, was also a learned and eloquent woman, both with voice and pen, of the government, and opposite is the old- and published a remarkable volume in deest church in Venice, which is said to have fense of Mother Eve's conduct in that apple affair. Her arguments are said to be so convincing that the ecclesiastics prohibited Back of it is the famous Rialto bridge, the circulation of the book for fear it would shake the faith of the people in the which has a conspicuous part in Venetian history as well as romance. It was built

scriptural story. Lucretia Tornabluoni of Florence, who married Lorenzo di Medici and became the mother of kings, popes and cardinals, was also a very able and learned woman. She wrote several volumes of poems, corresponded with the great scholars of the age. encouraged art, literature, geography, and ly every man of business crosses it at least was the friend of Toscanelli, the great once during the day. The bridge itself is geographer.

given up to the jewelers, whose shops line In the same century fifty or sixty womeneach side of the pathway, but the piazza at in Italy were famous for learning, and to one end is the fish, fruit and vegetable mar- inspire the ambition of the sex the states offered prizes for such accomplishments tile, stock and produce exchange. It is but, through the influence of the church the center of Venetian business activity, and political leaders, learning among womand when Shakspeare makes Shylock say, en began to decline, and we hear nothing more of scholarship among that sex until means that his credit or liabilities had been | Maria Gaetanna Agnesi appeared in Bologna. She was one of the most extraordinary women of all history. Her father was professor of mathematics in the University Bologna, where she was born in 1718 When nine years old she wrote a book in Latin on the "Responsibilities of Womanhood," and advocating the higher education of women; when thirteen she wrote and read nine languages, and when eighteen they called her "the walking polyglot," because there was no language that she did not know. She used to appear before the time all persons of Jewish birth were comlearned scientists of Italy and read papers on abstruse subjects. She wanted to become a certain dress. They were never perse- a nun, but the entreaties of her father persuaded her to renounce her inclinations, cuted, but have been allowed to worship in their own way and transact any line of | and she retired from society and gave herbusiness. The same quarter is still occu- self up to study until her learning was something marvelous. Her memory was so pied by Jewish families, although the deretentive that she could quote pages of figures and could give the date of any hisand most beautiful palaces upon the Grand | torical event offhand.

She wrote a book on "The Analysis of The story of Shylock and the pound of | Finite Quantities" and a second volume on "The Analysis of Infinitesimals." Both were translated into French, German and English and used as text-books in the European universities. She was also the author of a text-book on conic sections. In 1750 Pope Benedict XIV appointed her to succeed her father when he retired as professor of mathematics at the University of Bologna, but, when he died, two years later, she was and produced three cardinals, who are bur- released from her promise and gratified her original desire by joining the austere sisterhood of the Blue Nuns, of which she became mother superior and conducted its affairs until her death in 1799. Her sister, Maria Teresa Agnesi, was equally famous

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remarkable accounts of her eloquence, erudition and influence. She was so much ad-Nothing Has Ever Filled the Place of mired and respected that the doges and the council of ten used to consult her upon the Old-Time Spelling Matches. legal questions, and her fellow-citizens submitted their differences to her for decision Philadelphia Record

Recently it was announced that several members of the graduating class of Northwestern University, near Chicago, had been 'plucked" for bad spelling. They were able to make a creditable showing in other branches, but their orthography was 100 defective for graduates. The professor of would live. He was a Venetian nobleman English began a reform by sending the and enjoyed both luxury and dissipation up young men and women to their spelling books and by investigating the causes of the inability of the present generation to first he reduced his diet to twelve ounces rival their ancestors as spellers. He has reported that the system of teaching orthography which is now in operation in the was about sixty he omitted his breakfast public schools of Chicago and many other cities cannot produce good spellers. Not only are the syllables no longer divided, kept up this diet until he died of a disease but oral spelling has been abandoned, while there is not enough reading to educate the sight. He has predicted that unless there

shall be a return to the old methods bad spelling must become general. To test the charge that the teachers who and was able to conduct his business with have been trained under the new system hearty pleasure and a clear mind to the are not good spellers Superintendent Cooly, Sure and Certain Method of Attaining a name, birthplace and age, and to indicate Long and Healthful Life," which was pub- the extent of her education. The results are said to be shocking. A large proportion lished at Padua in 1558 and translated into of the teachers misspelled many of the all the European languages. The English | most common words, one being unable to translation created quite a sensation and write correctly the name of her native vilpassed through thirty editions during the lage. Among the errors was "Febuary." two centuries that followed. The Cornaro | One teacher was born in Tenessee" and theory found many believers. His disci- another in "Oelwein" (for Oldwine), la. !! ples were numerous in every European is significant that one young woman comcity and the fad lasted much longer than | pleted her education by university "extensuch things usually do. Three of his inti- tion" methods. Altogether the reports are mate friends in Venice who adopted the calculated to sustain the charge that the same diet and lived on one egg and a glass system of orthography teaching in the pub-

one, ninety-five and ninety-six, respectively. There is no doubt that the spelling match-But Lucretia Cornaro was not the only es which were the delight of the pupils in famous woman of her age in Italy. Novella | the country schools of an earlier day were Andrea, who graduated from the University | particularly effective. Among the best of Bologna in 1328, more than 150 years be- spellers of to-day are men who have had fore, was also famous for her legal learn- no college training and little schooling being, although she never practiced law. She | youd that of the rural district school, and lectured in the law schools at Padua, Pavia | who, like Abraham Lincoln, have educated and Pisa, where her father was a professor, themselves later without the aid of teachers. and there was so little difference in the The spelling class, with its rivalry for the learning of the daughter and the old man headship and its stimulus of "spelling that she used to take his place in the lec- down," fixed the spelling of a vast vocabuture room frequently, but she was so beau- lary in their minds beyond the possibility tiful that the faculty required her to sit of loss. In English orthography the debehind a screen or wear a heavy veil to pendence must be chiefly on memory. conceal her features for fear of distracting | this is formed by repetition. It is obvious, too, that words are more easily spelled and remembered when divided into syllables. The experience of Chicago is probably that of all other places where the old

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